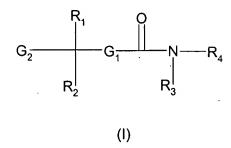
1. (Amended) A compound of Formula (I):



wherein

 G_1 comprises C_1 - C_6 -alkylene or is (CH₂)_k, where k is 0 to 3;

G₂ is comprises-a) hydrogen

- b) C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -aryl;
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

e)

where R₅ and R₆ are independently comprise selected from the group consisting

<u>of</u>

- i) -H;
- ii) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- iii) –aryl;
- iv) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

x)
$$-SO_2-C_{1-6}$$
 alkyl;

xvi) -C(O)-C₁₋₆ alkyl; of and

xvii) $-C(O)-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl; or

f) a group of the formula

wherein

R_{9.} R₁₀, and R₁₁ may comprise are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen; or

R₀, R₁₀, and R₁₁ independently comprise

-hydrogen; i) <u>i)ii)</u> -C₁₋₆ alkyl; ii)iii) ___aryl; <u>iii)iv)</u> -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; \underline{iv} v) -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkyl; $\frac{\text{v}\cdot\text{v}i)}{\text{c}}$ -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; vi)vii) -C(O)-NH-C₁₋₆ alkyl; vii)viii) -C(O)-NH-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; viii)ix) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkyl; $\underline{ix}x$) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; x)xi) -SO₂-aryl; xi)xii) -SO₂-NH-C₁₋₆ alkyl; xii)xiii) -SO2-NH-C1-6 alkylaryl; xiii)xiv) -C(O)-C1-6 alkyl; er and xiv)xv) -C(O)-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or

 R_{10} and R_{11} may be are taken together to constitute a fused cycloalkyl, fused heterocyclyl, or fused aryl ring containing the atoms to which R_{10} and R_{11} are bonded;

R₁ is comprises

- a) hydrogen;
- b) $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- c) -aryl; or

d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

R₂ is comprises

- a) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- b) -aryl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) a group of the formula

$$Q_1$$
 $(CH_2)n$ X $(CH_2)m$

wherein m and n are independently selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4; X comprises is a direct bond, CH_2 -, -O-, -S-, -S(O₂)-, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -NHSO₂NH-,

-Q₁- comprises is C_{1-6} alkylene, C_{2-6} alkenylene, or C_{2-6} alkynylene;

R₃ is comprises

- a) hydrogen;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl;

R₄ is comprises

- a) -- C₁₋₆-alkylaryl;
- b) -C₁₋₆-alkoxyaryl; or
- c) aryl;

a)
$$-C_1-C_6$$
-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅

b)
$$-C_{1}-C_{6}-\text{alkyl}-O-\text{ }C_{1}-C_{6}-\text{alkyl-NR}_{14}R_{15}$$
 ; or

c)
$$L-C_1-C_6$$
-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅

wherein L is -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H)-, -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

 R_{36} and R_{37} are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, and C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl

 R_7 , R_8 , R_{12} and R_{13} are independently comprise selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, or and aryl;

 R_7 and R_8 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, and aryl; or R_7 and R_8 are taken together to form a ring having the formula -(CH_2)₀-Z'-(CH_2)₀- bonded to the atoms to which R_7 and R_8 are attached, wherein o' and p' are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z' is a direct bond, - CH_2 -, -O-, -S-, - $S(O_2$)-, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, - $NHSO_2$ -, - $SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, - $NHSO_2NH$ -,

 R_{40} and R_{41} are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, and C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl; and

wherein

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , R_7 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , R_{12} , and R_{13} may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

- a) -H;
- b) $-Y-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
 - -Y-aryl;
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the</u> group consisting of -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -

NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, $-NHSO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, $-NHSO_2NH$ -, -O-CO-,

$$R_{17}$$
 R_{17} R_{17} R_{17} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18}

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} comprise are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or and C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; or and

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or and carboxyl; and

 R_{14} and R_{15} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl; <u>or</u> and wherein

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be <u>are</u> taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ -bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, and/or R_z and R_8 may, independently, be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $-(CH_2)_p$ -bonded to the atoms to which R_z and R_8 are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z comprises is a direct bond, $-(CH_2)_o$ -O-, $-(CO)_o$ -, $-(CO)_o$ -, -

 R_{19} and R_{20} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, of <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl.

2. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, represented by Formula (la)

$$R_{22}$$
 R_{23}
 R_{24}
 R_{24}

wherein G₁ comprises a direct bond;

$$R_{6}$$
 N

G₂ comprises

R₁ comprises H;

() comprises a -CH₂- group or a direct covalent bond, and x and w are independently equal to 0 to 2, with the proviso that x and w can not both be equal to 0;

R₃ comprises

- a) hydrogen;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl;

R₄ comprises

a) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

- b) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl; or
- c) -aryl;

R₆ comprises

- a) -H;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -aryl;
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- e) a group selected from $-C(O)R_{25}$, $-C(O)OR_{25}$, $-C(O)NR_{26}R_{25}$, $-S(O)_2R_{25}$, and $-S(O)_2NR_{26}R_{25}$; wherein R_{25} and R_{26} independently comprise $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl, aryl, or $-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;

R₅ and R₂ are taken together to form a ring of structure

$$R_{23}$$
 R_{24} R_{24} R_{24}

wherein R₂₁, R₂₂, R₂₃ and R₂₄ independently comprise

- i) -H;
- ii) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- iii) -aryl;
- iv) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- v) a group of the formula –U-R₂₇, wherein U comprises –C(O)-, -C(O)O-, -O-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O)₂-, or -NR₂₈-,

wherein R_{27} and R_{28} independently comprise -H, -aryl, - C_{1-6} alkyl, or - C_{1-6} alkylaryl;

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R_3 , R_4 , and R_6 may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

- a) -H;
- b) -Y-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
 - -Y-aryl;
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W independently comprise -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; or

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or carboxyl; and

R₁₄ and R₁₅ independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, and C₁-C₆ alkylaryl; or wherein

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ - bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z comprises a direct bond, $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -S-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -

 R_{19} and R_{20} comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl.

3. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, represented by Formula (lb)

$$R_{30}$$
 ()y N O N R_{29} (Ib)

wherein,

G₁ comprises a direct bond;

$$\begin{array}{c} R_5 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ R_6 \end{array}$$

G₂ comprises

R₁ comprises H;

() comprises a –CH₂- group or a direct covalent bond, and y and z are, independently,an integer of from 0 to 3;

R₃ comprises

- a) hydrogen;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or

d) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl;

R₄ comprises

- a) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl; or
- c) -aryl;

R₆ comprises

- a) -H;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -aryl;
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- e) a group selected from $-C(O)R_{25}$, $-C(O)OR_{25}$, $-C(O)NR_{26}R_{25}$, $-S(O)_2R_{25}$, and $-S(O)_2NR_{26}R_{25}$; wherein R_{25} and R_{26} independently comprise $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl, aryl, or $-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R₃, R₄, and R₆ may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

- a) -H;
- b) $-Y-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
 - -Y-aryl;
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W independently comprise -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO_2 -, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, - SO_2 N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

$$R_{17}$$
 R_{17} R_{17} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18}

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; or

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or carboxyl; and

R₁₄ and R₁₅ independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or C₁-C₆ alkylaryl; and wherein

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_0$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ - bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z comprises a direct bond, $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -S-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NH

R₁₉ and R₂₀ comprise hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or C₁-C₆ alkylaryl;

R₅ and R₂ are taken together to form a ring of structure

$$R_{29}$$
 ()y

wherein R₂₉ and R₃₀ independently comprise

- a) -H
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -aryl;
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- e) -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- f) -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- g) $-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- h) $-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;
- i) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- j) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- k) -SO₂-aryl;
- I) -SO₂-NH-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- m) -SO₂-NH-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- n) $-C(O)-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- o) $-C(O)-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl; or
- p) a group of the formula $-V-R_{31}$, wherein V comprises a group of the formula -C(O), -OC(O)-, -O-, -S-, -S(O)-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -NH-, or $-N(R_{32})$ -;

wherein R₃₁ and R₃₂ comprise

- i) -H
- ii) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- iii) –aryl;
- iv) $-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;
- v) -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkyl;

vi)
$$-C(O)-O-C_{1-6}$$
 alkylaryl;

vii)
$$-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$$
 alkyl; $-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;

ix)
$$-SO_2-C_{1-6}$$
 alkylaryl;

xi)
$$-SO_2-NH-C_{1-6}$$
 alkyl;

xiii)
$$-C(O)-C_{1-6}$$
 alkyl; or

xiv)
$$-C(O)-C_{1-6}$$
 alkylaryl;

wherein R_{29} , R_{30} , R_{31} , and R_{32} may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

a) -H;

wherein L and Q_2 independently comprise -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

 $R_{35},\,R_{36,}$ and R_{37} comprise hydrogen, aryl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkylaryl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxy, or $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxyaryl; or

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or carboxyl; and

R₃₃ and R₃₄ independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or C₁-C₆ alkylaryl; and wherein

 R_{33} and R_{34} may be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_e$ -J- $(CH_2)_k$ - bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{33} and R_{34} are attached, wherein e and k are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; J comprises a direct bond, $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -S-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, $-NHCO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, -O--C(O)-, $-NHSO_2$ NH-,

R₃₈ and R₃₉ comprises hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or C₁-C₆ alkylaryl.

4. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, represented by Formula (Ic):

$$G_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{1}} G_{1} \xrightarrow{N} R_{4}$$

$$R_{2} \qquad R_{3}$$
(Ic)

wherein,

R₁ comprises hydrogen, or C₁₋₃ alkylaryl wherein the aryl is substituted with -Y-C-₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

R₂ comprises C₁₋₃ alkylaryl wherein the aryl is substituted with -Y-C-₁₋₆ alkylaryl,

wherein Y comprises -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

$$R_{17}$$
 R_{17} R_{17} R_{17} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18}

 R_{17} and R_{18} independently comprises hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl.

5. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, represented by Formula (Id):

$$G_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{1}} G_{1} \xrightarrow{O} \underset{R_{3}}{\overset{O}{\parallel}} N - R_{4}$$

$$(Id)$$

wherein,

R₁ comprises hydrogen, or C₁₋₃ alkylaryl wherein the aryl is substituted with -Y-C-₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

R₂ comprises C₁₋₃ alkylaryl wherein the aryl is substituted with -Y-C-₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

wherein Y comprises -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

 R_{17} , and R_{18} independently comprises hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl;

 R_3 comprises hydrogen or $-L-C_{1-6}$ -alkyl-N(alkyl)₂;

R₄ comprises –L-C₁₋₆-alkyl-N(alkyl)₂;

wherein L comprises $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -N(H)-, -S-, SO_2 -, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, $-NHSO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, $-NHSO_2NH$ -, -O-CO-,

 R_{35} , R_{36} , and R_{37} independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl.

6. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, represented by Formula (le):

$$G_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{1}} N - R_{4}$$
 $R_{2} R_{3}$
(le)

wherein,

G₁ comprises a direct bond;

G₂ comprises a group of the formula

wherein

R₉, R₁₀, and R₁₁ may be hydrogen; or

R₉, R₁₀, and R₁₁ independently comprise

- i) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- ii) -aryl;
- iii) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- iv) $-C(O)-O-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- v) $-C(O)-O-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;
- vi) $-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- vii) -C(O)-NH-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- viii) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- ix) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- x) -SO₂-aryl;
- xi) $-SO_2-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- xii) -SO₂-NH-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- xiii) -C(O)-C₁₋₆ alkyl; or
- xiv) $-C(O)-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl; or

 R_{10} and R_{11} may be taken together to constitute a fused cycloalkyl, fused heterocyclyl, or fused aryl ring containing the atoms to which R_{10} and R_{11} are bonded;

R₁ comprises H;

R₂ comprises

- a) $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- b) -aryl; or
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

R₃ comprises

- a) hydrogen;
- b) $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl;

R₄ comprises

- a) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl; or
- c) -aryl;

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

- a) -H;
- b) $-Y-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
 - -Y-aryl;
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W independently comprise -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

$$R_{17}$$
 R_{17} R_{17} R_{17} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18}

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; or

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or carboxyl; and

 R_{14} and R_{15} independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl; and wherein

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ - bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z comprises a direct bond, $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -S-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, $-NHCO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, -O--C(O)-, $-NHSO_2$ NH-,

R₁₉ and R₂₀ independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or C₁-C₆ alkylaryl;

7. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, represented by Formula (If):

$$G_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{1}} \begin{matrix} O \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} N - R_{4} \\ | \\ | \\ If \end{matrix}$$

wherein,

G₁ comprises a direct bond;

$$R_{6}$$
 R_{6}

G₂ comprises

R₁ comprises H;

R₂ comprises a group of the formula

$$Q_1$$
 $(CH_2)n$ X $(CH_2)m$

wherein m and n are independently selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4; X comprises a direct bond, CH_2 -, -O-, -S-, -S(O₂)-, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -NHSO₂NH-,

-Q1- comprises $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkylene, $C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkenylene, or $C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkynylene;

 R_{12} and R_{13} independently comprises hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, or aryl; and wherein

R₃ comprises

- a) hydrogen;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;

- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl;

R₄ comprises

- a) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryi; or
- c) -aryl;

R₅ and R₆ independently comprise

- a) -H;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -aryl;
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- e) a group selected from $-C(O)R_{25}$, $-C(O)OR_{25}$, $-C(O)NR_{26}R_{25}$, $-S(O)_2R_{25}$, and $-S(O)_2NR_{26}R_{25}$; wherein R_{25} and R_{26} independently comprise $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl, aryl, and $-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , R_{12} , and R_{13} may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

- a) -H;
- b) $-Y-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
 - -Y-aryl;
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W independently comprise -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; or

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or carboxyl; and

R₁₄ and R₁₅ independently comprises hydrogen, aryl, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or C₁-C₆ alkylaryl; and wherein

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ - bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; \dot{Z} comprises a direct bond, $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -S-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHC(O)-, $-NHSO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, -O--C(O)-, $-NHSO_2$ NH-,

 R_{19} and R_{20} independently comprise hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl.

- 8. Canceled.
- 9. Canceled.

- 10. Canceled.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(4-Benzyloxyphenyl)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-Diethylamino-1-propoxy)aniline Amide.
- 12. (Previously amended) The compound of claim 62, wherein the compound comprises 3-(3-Tert-butoxyphenyl)-3-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.
- 13. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 62, wherein the compound comprises 3-(3-Tert-butoxyphenyl)-3-aminopropionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.
- 14. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(4-Tetrahydropyranyl)-2-aminopropionic Acid 4-Diethylaminoethoxycarbonyl-2-butoxyaniline Amide Dihydrochloride.
- 15. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2S, 4R)-4-Tert-Butoxypyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid 2,4-Di(3-diethylamino-1-propoxy)aniline Amide.
- 16. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (3S)-1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic Acid 4-Diethylaminoethoxycarbonyl-2-butoxyaniline Amide Dihydrochloride.
- 17. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (R)-3-(4-Benzyloxyphenyl)-2-(1-imidazolyl)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminoethoxycarbonyl-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 18. (Previously amended) The compound of claim 62, wherein the compound comprises 3-(4-Tert-butoxyphenyl)-3-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.

- 19. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 4 <u>62</u>, wherein the compound comprises 3-amino-3-(4-tert-butoxyphenyl)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 4 <u>62</u>, wherein the compound comprises 3-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)-3-(2-tert-butoxyphenyl)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 4 <u>62</u>, wherein the compound comprises 3-amino-3-(2-tert-butoxyphenyl)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.
- 22. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 4 <u>62</u>, wherein the compound comprises 3-Isopropylamino-3-(3-tert-butoxyphenyl)propionic Acid 2,4-Di-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)aniline Amide.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylamino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-benzylaniline Amide.
- 24. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylamino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-cyclopentylmethylaniline Amide.
- 25. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylamino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-isopropylaniline Amide.
- 26. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-amino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-cyclohexylmethylaniline Amide.

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- 27. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-amino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-cyclopentylmethylaniline Amide.
- 28. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylamino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-butylaniline Amide.
- 29. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-amino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 4-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N- butylaniline Amide.
- 30. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylamino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 3-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N-butylaniline Amide.
- 31. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises (2R)-2-amino-3-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]propionic Acid 3-(3-diethylaminopropoxy)-N- butylaniline Amide.
- 32. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(1-Tert-butoxycarbonylpiperidin-4-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 33. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3- (Piperidin-4-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 34. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(1-Benzylpiperidin-4-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.

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- 35. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(1-Benzylpiperidin-4-yl)-2-aminopropionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 36. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(1-Benzyloxycarbonylpiperidin-4-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonyamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 37. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(1-Benzoylpiperidin-4-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 38. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(1-Benzoylpiperidin-4-yl)-2-benzoylaminopropionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 39. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(Tertbutoxycarbonylpiperidin-3-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2-butoxyaniline Amide.
- 40. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound comprises 3-(Piperidin-3-yl)-2-(9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonylamino)propionic Acid 4-Diethylaminopropoxy-2butoxyaniline Amide.
- 41. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of Formula (I) as claimed in claim 1, and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, excipients, or diluents.
- 42. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 41, in the form of an oral dosage or parenteral dosage unit.

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43. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 41, wherein said compound is administered as a dose in a range from about 0.01 to 500 mg/kg of body weight per day.

- 44. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 41, wherein said compound is administered as a dose in a range from about 0.1 to 200 mg/kg of body weight per day.
- 45. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 41, wherein said compound is administered as a dose in a range from about 0.1 to 100 mg/kg of body weight per day.
- 46. (Withdrawn) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 41, further comprising one or more therapeutic agents selected from the group consisting of alkylating agents, antimetabolites, plant alkaloids, antibiotics, hormones, biologic response modifiers, analgesics, NSAIDs, DMARDs, glucocorticoids, sulfonylureas, biguanides, insulin, cholinesterase inhibitors, antipsychotics, antidepressants, and anticonvulsants.
- 47. (Withdrawn) A method for the inhibition of the interaction of RAGE with its physiological ligands, which comprises administering to a subject in need thereof, at least one compound of Formula (I) as claimed in claim 1.
- 48. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 47, wherein the ligand(s) is(are) selected from advanced glycated end products (AGEs), S100/calgranulin/EN-RAGE, β -amyloid and amphoterin.
- 49. (Original) A method for treating a disease state selected from the group consisting of acute and chronic inflammation, symptoms of diabetes, vascular permeability, nephropathy, atherosclerosis, retinopathy, Alzheimer's disease, erectile dysfunction, and tumor invasion and/or metastasis, which comprises administering to a subject in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound of Formula (I) as claimed in claim 1.
- 50. (Original) A method of prevention and/or treatment of RAGE mediated human diseases comprising administration to a human in need thereof a therapeutically effective

amount of a compound of Formula (I) as claimed in claim 1, wherein a therapeutically effective amount comprises sufficient compound to at least partially inhibit the binding of a ligand to the RAGE receptor.

- 51. (Original) The method of claim 50, further comprising administering to a subject in need thereof at least one adjuvant and/or additional therapeutic agent(s).
- 52. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 51, wherein therapeutic agents selected from the group consisting of alkylating agents, antimetabolites, plant alkaloids, antibiotics, hormones, biologic response modifiers, analgesics, NSAIDs, DMARDs, glucocorticoids, sulfonylureas, biguanides, insulin, cholinesterase inhibitors, antipsychotics, antidepressants, and anticonvulsants.
- 53. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprises acute and/or chronic inflammation.
- 54. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprising vascular permeability.
- 55. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprising ephropathy.
- 56. (Amended) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprising comprises atherosclerosis.
- 57. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprising retinopathy.
- 58. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprising Alzheimer's disease.

- 59. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprises erectile dysfunction.
- 60. (Withdrawn) The method claim 50, wherein the RAGE mediated human disease comprises tumor invasion and/or metastasis.
 - 61. (Amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein

G₁ comprises is -CH₂-

G₂ comprises is

wherein

R₅-comprises -H; and

R_5 and R_6 comprises are independently selected from the group consisting of

- i) –H;
- ii) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- iii) –aryl;
- iv) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- v) $-C(O)-O-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- vi) $-C(O)-O-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;
- vii) -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkylcycloalkylaryl;
- viii) $-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- ix) $-C(O)-NH-C_{1-6}$ alkylaryl;
- x) $-SO_2-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- xi) -SO₂-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;
- xii) -SO₂-aryl;
- xiii) -SO₂-NH-C₁₋₆ alkyl;

xiv) -SO₂-NH-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

- xvi) $-C(O)-C_{1-6}$ alkyl; or
- xvii) -C(O)-C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

R₁ comprises H is

- a) hydrogen;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -aryl; or
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl;

R₂ comprises is

- a) $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl;
- b) -aryl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) a group of the formula

$$Q_1$$
 $(CH_2)n$ X $(CH_2)m$

wherein m and n are independently selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4; X comprises is a direct bond, CH_{2^-} , $-O_-$, $-S_-$, $-S(O_2)_-$, $-C(O)_-$, $-CON(H)_-$, $-NHC(O)_-$, $-NHCON(H)_-$, $-NHSO_2_-$, $-SO_2N(H)_-$,

-Q₁- comprises is C₁₋₆ alkylene, C₂₋₆ alkenylene, or C₂₋₆ alkynylene;

R₃ comprises—H is

- a) hydrogen;
- b) -C₁₋₆ alkyl;
- c) -C₁₋₆ alkylaryl; or
- d) -C₁₋₆ alkoxyaryl;; and

R₄ comprises is

a)
$$-C_{1}-C_{6}-alkyl-A(alkyl)_{2}$$

$$-C_{1}-C_{6}-alkyl-N(alkyl)_{2}$$

$$L-C_{1}-C_{6}-alkyl-N(alkyl)_{2}$$

b)
$$-C_{1}-C_{6}-alkyl-O$$

$$-C_{1}-C_{6}-alkyl-N(alkyl)_{2}$$

$$L-C_{1}-C_{6}-alkyl-N(alkyl)_{2}$$
; and or

c)
$$L-C_1-C_6$$
-alkyl-N(alkyl)₂ $L-C_1-C_6$ -alkyl-N(alkyl)₂

wherein L comprises is -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H)-, -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

$$R_{36}$$
 R_{36} R_{36} R_{36} R_{36} R_{36} R_{36} R_{37} R_{37} R_{37}

 R_{36} and R_{37} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group</u> <u>consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl;

 R_{27} , R_{87} R_{12} and R_{13} are independently comprise selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, or and aryl;

 R_7 and R_8 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, and aryl; or R_7 and R_8 are taken together to form a ring having the formula - $(CH_2)_{o'}$ -Z'- $(CH_2)_{o'}$ -bonded to the atoms to which R_7 and R_8 are attached, wherein o' and p' are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z' is a direct bond, - CH_2 -, -O-, -S-, - $S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHCON(H)-, - $NHSO_2$ -, - $SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, - $NHSO_2NH$ -,

 R_{40} and R_{41} are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl, C_{1} - C_{6} alkyl, and C_{1} - C_{6} alkylaryl; and

wherein

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , R_7 , R_8 , R_{12} and R_{13} may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

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- a) -H;
- b) -Y-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
 - -Y-aryl;
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W <u>are</u> independently comprise selected from the group consisting of -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

$$R_{17}$$
 R_{17} R_{17} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18} R_{18}

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} comprise are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, or and C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; or and

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or and carboxyl; and

 R_{14} and R_{15} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl; <u>or</u> and <u>wherein</u>

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be <u>are</u> taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ -bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, and/or R_7 and R_8 may, independently, be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $-(CH_2)_p$ -bonded to the atoms to which R_7 and R_8 are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z comprises is a direct bond, $-(CH_2)_o$ -C- $-(CO)_o$ -C--(C

 R_{19} and R_{20} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl.

62. (Amended) The compound of claim 61,

wherein

G₁ comprises is -CH₂-

G₂ comprises is

$$R_6 \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow$$

wherein

R₅ comprises is -H; and

R₆ comprises is

- i) –H;
- ii) -C₁₋₆ alkyl; or
- iii) -C(O)-O-C₁₋₆ alkylcycloalkylaryl;

R₁ comprises is -H;

R₂ comprises is

$$- \hspace{-1em} \begin{array}{c} \hspace{-1em} \begin{array}{c} \hspace{-1em} \hspace{-1em}$$

R₃ comprises is -H; and

R₄ comprises is

b)
$$-C_{1}-C_{6}-\text{alkyl}-O \xrightarrow{\qquad \qquad } L-C_{1}-C_{6}-\text{alkyl-N(alkyl)}_{2} \\ L-C_{1}-C_{6}-\text{alkyl-N(alkyl)}_{2} \text{ ; and } \underline{\text{or}}$$

c)
$$L-C_1-C_6$$
-alkyl-N(alkyl)₂ $L-C_1-C_6$ -alkyl-N(alkyl)₂ :

wherein L comprises is $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -N(H)-, -S-, SO_2 -, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, $-NHSO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, $-NHSO_2NH$ -, -O-CO-,

 R_{36} and R_{37} <u>are</u> independently <u>comprise</u> <u>selected from the group</u> <u>consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, each of C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl;

R₂, R₈, R₁₂ and R₁₃ independently comprise hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkylaryl, or aryl; and wherein

the aryl and/or alkyl group(s) in R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , R_7 , R_8 , R_{12} and R_{13} may be optionally substituted 1-4 times with a substituent group, wherein said substituent group(s) or the term substituted refers to groups comprising:

- a) -H;
- b) -Y-C₁₋₆ alkyl;
 - -Y-arvl:
 - -Y-C-1-6 alkylaryl;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-NR₁₄R₁₅;
 - -Y-C₁₋₆-alkyl-W-R₁₆;

wherein Y and W <u>are</u> independently comprise selected from the group consisting of -CH₂-, -O-, -N(H), -S-, SO₂-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, -NHSO₂-, -SO₂N(H)-, -C(O)-O-, -NHSO₂NH-, -O-CO-,

 R_{16} , R_{17} , and R_{18} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group</u> <u>consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, er <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkoxyaryl; er <u>and</u>

c) halogen, hydroxyl, cyano, carbamoyl, or carboxyl; and

 R_{14} and R_{15} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or <u>and</u> C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl; <u>or</u> and wherein

 R_{14} and R_{15} may be <u>are</u> taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $(CH_2)_p$ -bonded to the nitrogen atom to which R_{14} and R_{15} are attached, and/or R_7 -and R_8 may, independently, be taken together to form a ring having the formula $-(CH_2)_o$ -Z- $-(CH_2)_p$ -bonded to the atoms to which R_7 and R_8 are attached, wherein o and p are, independently, 1, 2, 3, or 4; Z comprises is a direct bond, $-CH_2$ -, -O-, -S-, $-S(O_2)$ -, -C(O)-, -CON(H)-, -NHC(O)-, -NHCON(H)-, $-NHSO_2$ -, $-SO_2N(H)$ -, -C(O)-O-, -O--C(O)-, $-NHSO_2NH$ -,

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 R_{19} and R_{20} <u>are</u> independently comprise <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> hydrogen, aryl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, of and C_1 - C_6 alkylaryl.